

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully submitted.

Claims 3-5 and 12-17 remain pending in the application. Claims 12, 13, 15 and 16 have been amended.

In the Advisory Action mailed March 31, 2005, the Examiner noted Section 112, paragraph 2, issues. The claims have been carefully checked and amended in this Amendment and it is believed that the indefiniteness issues have been overcome.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application should be in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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